Update on the California Phase 3 Reformulated Gasoline Program Implementation

December, 2003

California Environmental Protection Agency



Overview

- CaRFG3 Implementation update
- Ethanol Demand, Supply, and Price Issues
- Status of Oxygen Waiver Request
- Ethanol Permeation Study Progress Report



CaRFG3 Regulations

- Approved December 1999
- **→** Amended July 2002
- → Remove MTBE from California gasoline by December 31, 2003

Status of Refiners

- Refiners voluntarily complied with CaRFG3 regulations this year:
 - BP
 - ChevronTexaco (El Segundo)
 - ConocoPhillips
 - ExxonMobil
 - Shell
 - Kern Oil
- Supplied approximately 70% of California gasoline production

Status of Refiners (cont.)

Remaining refineries to comply with CaRFG3

South Coast AQMD	1 refinery
Bay Area AQMD	3 refineries

Transition begun, full compliance by December 31, 2003

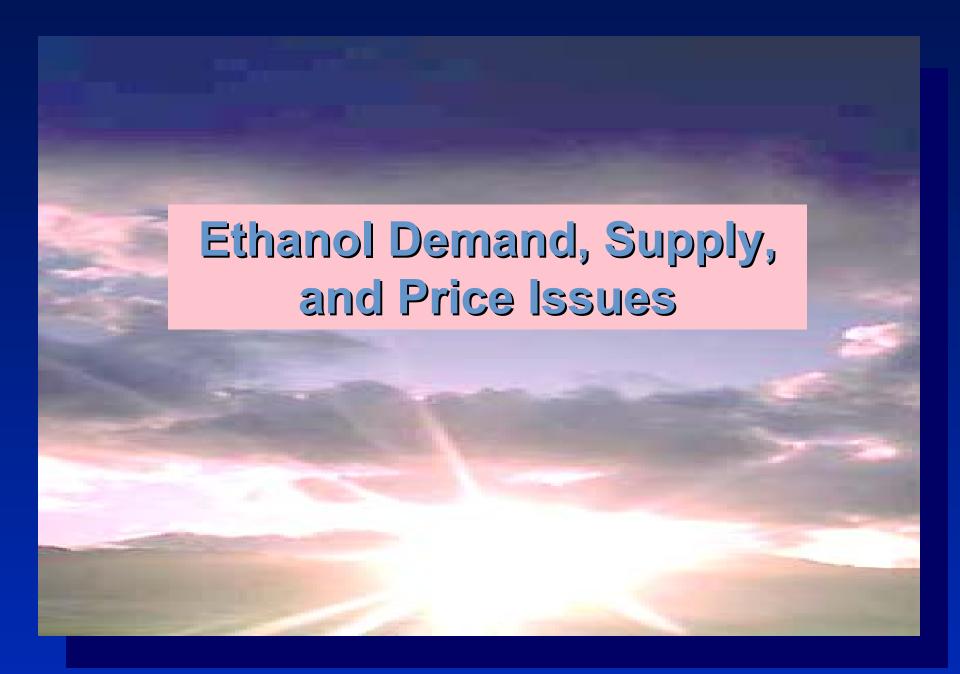
Status of Terminals for Ethanol Distribution

Common Terminals

- > Kinder Morgan
 - Completed modifications
 - Shipping CARBOB as of December 1, 2003
- > All other terminal operators
 - Completed modifications

Proprietary Terminals

 Completed modifications, except a ChevronTexaco terminal in Eureka (March 2004)



Ethanol Demand

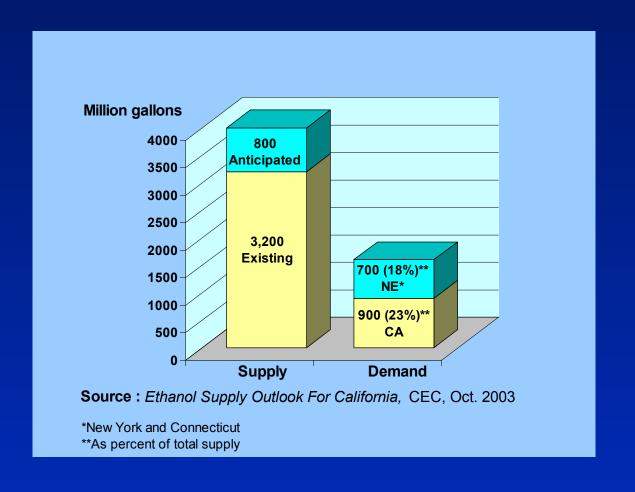
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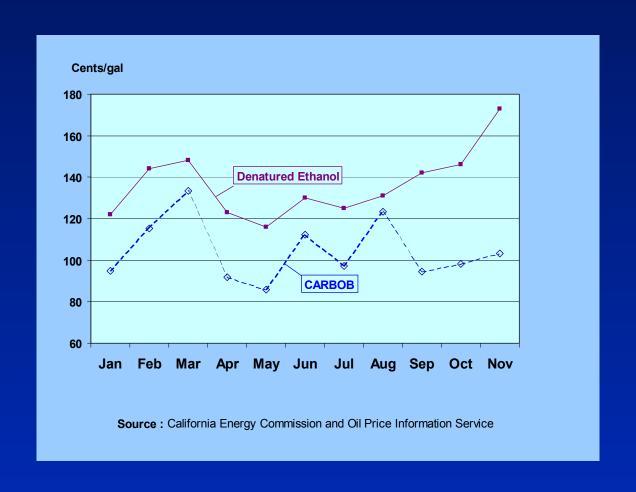
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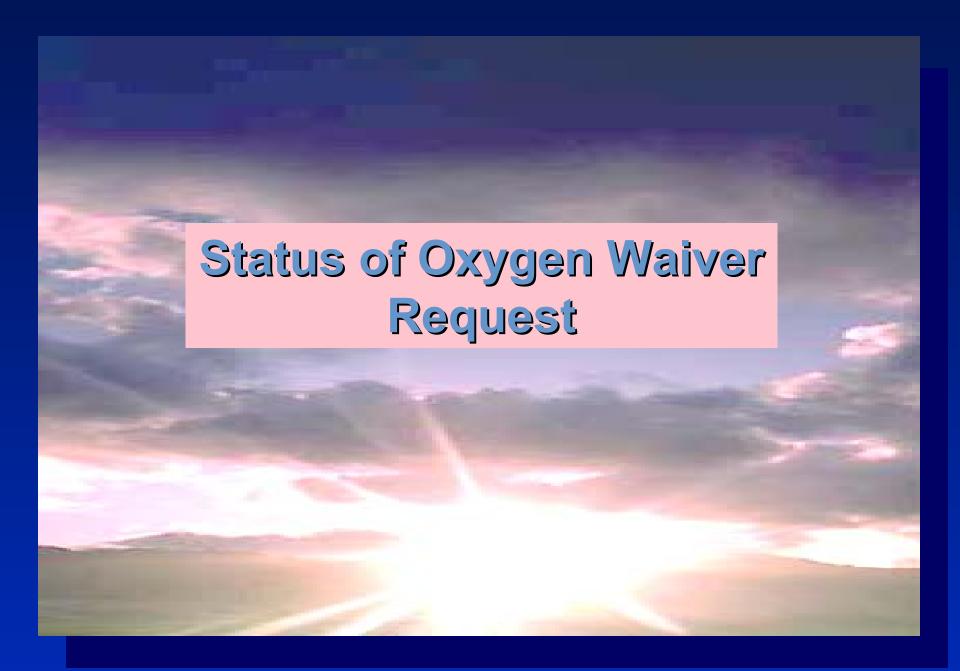
- New York and Connecticut banned MTBE use by Jan 1, 2004
- Demand for ethanol estimated 400 to 700 million gallons annually, depending on economy of ethanol blend

Estimated 2004 Ethanol Domestic Supply vs. CA and NE* States Demand



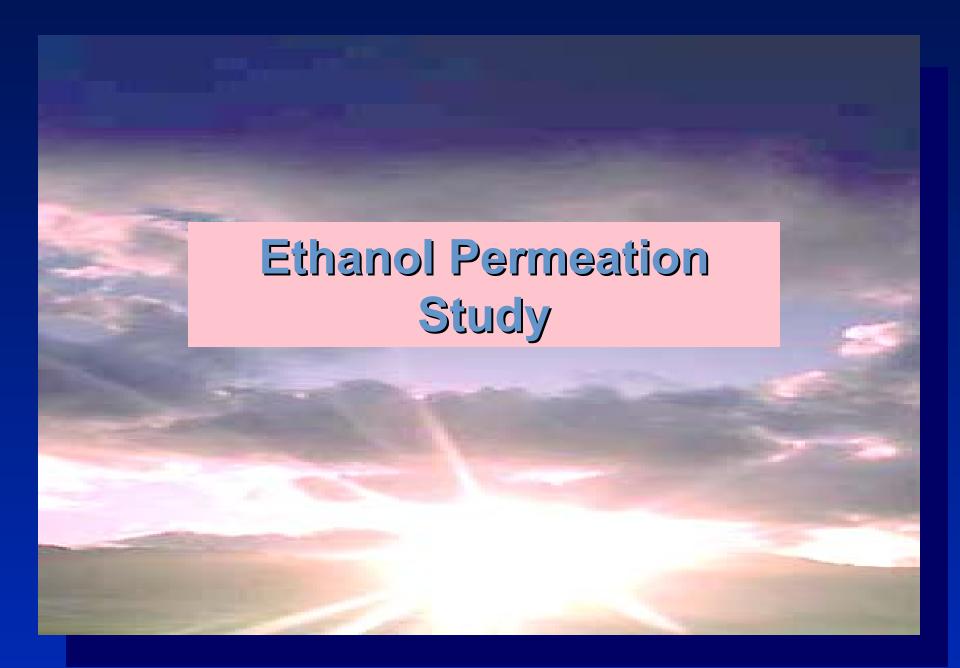
2003 California Average Spot Price CARBOB vs. Ethanol





California Oxygen Waiver Request to U.S. EPA

- Submitted application in February, 2000
- U.S. EPA denied the request in June, 2001, on the basis of uncertainty on "commingling effect"
- July 2003, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit vacated the U.S. EPA decision
- Staff is in the process of supplying new information on commingling and permeation emissions



Ethanol Permeation Emissions Study

- Evaluate the potential for increased evaporative hydrocarbon emissions due to the permeation of ethanol
 - > A joint research with CRC
 - > Test program included:
 - 10 representative vehicles
 - 3 fuels
 - > A preliminary report expected early next year